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SUBJECT: PROTECTION OF US INTERESTS IN UGANDA

THE FRG EMBASSY IN KAMPALA HAS ASKED THAT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGES BE TRANSMITTED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT:

(A) WITH REGARD TO RENTAL OF US RESIDENCE, CHANCELLOR OF FRG EMBASSY HELD CONVERSATION WITH COLONEL NOVIKOW, DEFENSE ADVISER ON STAFF OF SOVIET EMBASSY. NOVIKOW WAS TOLD THAT THE TENANCY AGREEMENT CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE SOVIET EMBASSY AND UGANDA PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT CO. LTD. WAS NULL AND VOID BECAUSE THE CONTRACT HAD NOT BEEN SIGNED BY AN OFFICIAL OF THE FRG EMBASSY. COLONEL NOVIKOW WAS ASKED TO VACATE THE HOUSE, PLOT NO. 2 RIDGEWAY DRIVE BY THE END OF SEPTEMBER, AND PROMISED TO DO SO. FRG EMBASSY POINTS OUT THAT "IT IS TO BE EXPECTED THAT THE SOVIETS MIGHT HAVE INSTALLED TAPPING SYSTEMS." FRG EMBASSY NOTES THAT UGANDA PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT CO. LTD IS TRYING HARD TO FIND A NEW TENANT FOR THE HOUSE.

(B) WITH REGARD TO EMBASSY OFFICE SPACE, FRG EMBASSY STATES THAT RENT HAS BEEN INCREASED TO 22 UGANDAN SHILLINGS PER SQUARE FOOT FOR ALL TENANTS OF EMBASSY HOUSE. ACCORDING TO THE SUDAN EMBASSY AND BARCLAY'S BANK, THEY AGREED WITH THE INCREASE.

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FRG EMBASSY NOTES THAT IT HAS TO AGREE TOO BECAUSE

NO OTHER OFFICES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MOMENT. THEREFORE, FRG EMBASSY WILL ENTER INTO TENANCY AGREEMENT FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR AT THE NEW RENTAL RATE.

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